

MODULE SPECIFICATION

Module Code:	CMT432						
Module Title:	Introduction	to Live So	ound				
Level:	4	Credit Value:		10			
Cost Centre(s):	SCA?	JACS3 code:		W374			
School:	SCA		Module Leader:	Colin Heron			
Scheduled lea	rning and teachin	g hours				18 hrs	
Guided independent study						82 hrs	
Placement						0 hrs	
Module duration (total hours)						100 hrs	
Programme(s	s) in which to be	offered (not includi	ng exit	Core	Option	
Standalone module aligned to BSc (Hons) Sound Technology for QA and assessment purposes				✓			
Pre-requisite	s						
N/A							
0#:							
Office use only Initial approval:				Ver	sion no:		
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Module Aims

The content of this module is an introduction to live sound production for musicians, perspective sound engineers and installation artists. The theory concentrates on the implementation of sound systems in small to medium scale installations. It introduces the student to the key elements that are required to provide high quality sound and furnishes them with the required skills to set up and use sound equipment safely and effectively.

Intended Learning Outcomes

Key skills for employability

KS1	Written, oral and media communication skills
KS2	Leadership, team working and networking skills
KS3	Opportunity, creativity and problem solving skills
KS4	Information technology skills and digital literacy
KS5	Information management skills
KS6	Research skills
KS7	Intercultural and sustainability skills
KS8	Career management skills
KS9	Learning to learn (managing personal and professional development, self-

KS10 Numeracy

management)

At	the end of this module, students will be able to	Key Skills	
1	Understand the how key elements in the audio chain are connected and implemented	KS3	KS9
		KS5	
		KS6	
2 E	Evaluate the impact of audio processing on the signal path and how this affects quality and performance	KS1	KS7
		KS4	
		KS5	
3	Apply safe working practices to sound system set up	KS2	
		KS6	
	and operation	KS10	

Transferable skills and other attributes

Creativity
Applied Problem Solving
Team work

Derogations		
N/A		

Assessment:

Indicative Assessment Tasks:

Indicative Assessment:

The student will be assessed through the practical completion of a portfolio of key skills throughout the course that demonstrate the subject matter delivered in the lecture/workshop series.

Assessme nt number	Learning Outcomes to be met	Type of assessment	Weightin g (%)	Duration (if exam)	Word count (or equivalent if appropriat e)
1	1-3	Portfolio	100		N/A

Learning and Teaching Strategies:

This module will be delivered using a combination of workshops, group tutorials, practical exercises, directed and self-directed study.

Syllabus outline:

Overview of live sound principles
System architecture
Interconnections and wiring
Stage sources
Mixing desks
Graphic equalisation
Loudspeaker systems
Computer Aided System tools

Indicative Bibliography:

Essential reading

Eargle, J. Foreman, C. (2008) Jbl Audio Engineering for Sound Reinforcement . Kendrick Books.

Live Sound International - Online Periodical

http://www.livesoundint.com/

Other indicative reading

All Live Sound / Prosound Web - Online Resource

https://www.prosoundweb.com/live-sound/